AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A multiplexer that generates—is operable to generate multiplexed data by multiplexing packets of media data including image data and at least one of audio data and text data, comprising:

a media data obtainment unit operable to obtain the media data;

an analysis unit operable to analyze the media data obtained by the media data obtainment unit and to obtain playback start time information that indicates a playback start time of a sample that is a smallest access unit of the image data, audio data and text data included in the media data;

a packetization part determination unit operable to determine, based on the playback start time information obtained by the analysis unit, and in all the packets necessary for storing the media data, a packetization part of the media data in a waysuch that playback start times of respective samples of the image data, audio data and text data that are included in the media data are made to be the same or apporoximately the same;

a packet header part generation unit operable to generate a packet header part that holds a header of the media data on a basis of the packetization part determined by the packetization part determination unit;

a packet data part generation unit operable to generate a packet data part that holds entity data of the media data on a basis of the packetization part determined by the packetization part determination unit; and

a packetization unit operable to generate a packet by connecting the packet header part generated by the packet header part generation unit—with the packet data part generated by the packet data part generation unit.

2. (Currently Amended) The multiplexer according to Claim 1,

wherein the packetization part determination unit makes is further operable to make the playback start times of a sample of the audio data placed in the a leading part of the packetization part and a sample of the text data the same or approximately the same as the playback start time of a sample of the image data placed in the leading part of the packetization part.

3. (Currently Amended) The multiplexer according to Claim 2,

wherein the packetization part determination unit determines is further operable to determine a sample of the audio data and a sample of the text data that are placed in the leading part of the packetization part as a sample whose playback start time is after the playback start time of a sample of the image data placed in the leading part of the packetization part and the earliest to the playback start time of a sample of the image data.

4. (Currently Amended) The multiplexer according to Claim 2,

wherein the packetization part determination unit determines is further operable to determine a sample of the audio data and a sample of the text data that are placed in the leading part of the packetization part as a sample whose playback start time is before the playback start time of a sample of the image data placed in the leading part of the packetization part and the earliest to the playback start time of a sample of the image data.

5. (Currently Amended) The multiplexer according to Claim 1,

wherein the image data is video data,

the analysis unit <u>further analyzesis further operable to analyze</u> the video data obtained by the media data obtainment unit and <u>obtains-to obtain</u> intra frame information in the case where when the video data includes at least one sample including the intra frame information indicating that the <u>at least one</u> sample is an intra coded sample,

the packetization part determination unit determines—is further operable to determine the media data as the packetization part based on the intra frame information and the playback start time information in the case where when the analysis unit obtains the intra frame information.

6. (Currently Amended) The multiplexer according to Claim 5,

wherein the packetization part determination unit places-is further operable to <u>place</u> a sample of the video data including the intra frame information in the-a leading

part of the packetization part.

7. (Currently Amended) The multiplexer according to Claim 6,

wherein the packetization part determination unit makes is further operable to make playback start time of a the sample of the video data including the intra frame information placed in the leading part of the packetization part the same or approximately the same as the playback start time of a sample of the audio data and a sample of the text data that are placed in the leading part of the packetization part.

8. (Currently Amended) The multiplexer according to Claim 1,

wherein the packet data part generation unit generates—is further operable to generate the a packet data part for storing samples of the media data items—included in the packetization part by interleaving in a waysuch that the playback start times of the samples are in an ascending order.

9. (Currently Amended) The multiplexer according to Claim 8,

wherein the packet data part generation unit generates—is further operable to generate the packet data part for storing samples of the media data items-included in the packetization part by interleaving in a waysuch that a previously set condition is satisfied.

10. (Currently Amended) A multiplexing method for generating multiplexed data by multiplexing packets of media data including image data and at least one of audio data and text data, comprising:

a media data obtainment step of obtaining the media data;

an analyzing step of obtaining the playback start time information indicating a playback start time of a sample that is the a smallest access unit of the image data, audio data and text data included in the media data by analyzing the media data obtained in the media data obtainment stepsaid obtaining the media data;

a packetization part determination step of determining, based on the playback start time information obtained in said obtaining playback start time information and in all the packets necessary for storing the media data, the a packetization part of the media data

making such that playback start times of respective samples of the image data, audio data and text data that are included in the media data are made to be the same based on the playback start time information obtained in the analysis step;

a-packet header part generation step of generating the <u>a</u> packet header part that holds a header of the media data on a basis of the packetization part determined in the packetization part determination step;

a packet data part generation step of generating the a packet data part that holds entity data of the media data on a basis of the packetization part determined in the packetization part determination step; and

a packetization step of generating a packet by connecting the packet header part generated in the packet header part generation step to the packet data part-generated in the packet data part generation step.

11. (Currently Amended) The multiplexer according to Claim 10,

wherein, in the packetization part determination stepsaid determining, playback start times of a sample of the audio data and a sample of the text data that are placed in the a leading part of the packetization part is are made to be the same or approximately the same as the playback start time of a sample of the image data placed in the leading part of the packetization part.

12. (Currently Amended) The multiplexing method according to Claim 10,

wherein the image data is video data, in the analysis step, further, thein said obtaining playback start time information intra frame information is obtained in the case wherewhen at least one sample including intra frame information indicating that the video data is an intra coded sample is included by analyzing the video data obtained in the media data obtainment stepsaid obtaining the media data, and

in the packetization part determination stepsaid determining,

the packetization part of the media data is determined based on the intra frame information and the playback start time information in the case wherewhen the intra frame information is obtained in the analysis stepsaid obtaining playback start time information.

13. (Currently Amended) The multiplexing method according to Claim 12, wherein, in the packetization part determination step in said determining, a sample of the video data including the intra frame information is placed in the a leading part of the packetization part.

14. (Currently Amended) The multiplexing method according to Claim 13, wherein, in the packetization part determination step in said determining,

playback start times of a sample of the audio data and a sample of the text data that are placed in the leading part of the packetization part are made to be the same or approximately the same as a playback start time of a sample of the video data including the intra frame information placed in the leading part of the packetization part.

15. (Currently Amended) The multiplexing method according to Claim 10,

wherein, in the packet data part generation step in said generating a packet data part, the a packet data part for storing samples of the media data items-included in the packetization part is generated by interleaving in a waysuch that playback start times of the samples are in an ascending order.

16. (Currently Amended) A <u>computer program recorded on a computer-readable recording medium</u> for a multiplexer that <u>generates-is operable to generate multiplexed</u> data by multiplexing packets of media data including image data and at least one of audio data and text data, the program <u>for causing a computer to execute steps-at least the following in a multiplexing method comprising:</u>

a media data obtainment step of obtaining the media data;

an analysis step of obtaining playback start time information indicating a playback start time of a sample that is a smallest access unit of the image data, audio data and text data included in the media data by analyzing the media data obtained in the media data obtainment stepsaid obtaining the media data;

a packetization part determination step of determining, based on the playback start time information obtained in the analysis stepsaid obtaining playback start time

information and in all the packets necessary for storing the media data, a packetization part of the media data in a waysuch that playback start times of respective samples of the image data, audio data and text data that are included in the media data are made to be the same or approximately the same;

a packet header part generation step of generating a packet header part that holds a header of the media data on a basis of packetization part determined in the packetization part determination step;

a packet data part generation step of generating the <u>a</u> packet data part that holds entity data of the media data on a basis of the packetization part determined in the packetization part determination step; and

a packetization step of generating a packet by connecting the packet header part generated in the packet header part generation step and a the packet data part generated in the packet data part generation step.

17. (Withdrawn - Currently Amended) A demultiplexer that obtains—is operable to obtain multiplexed data where media data including image data and at least one of audio data and text data are included—is multiplexed on a basis of a predetermined packetization part, comprising:

a multiplexed data obtainment unit operable to obtain the multiplexed data;

an analysis demultiplex unit operable to analyze the multiplexed data obtained by the multiplexed data obtainment unit, demultiplexes and operable to demultiplex a header part of the a packet from the multiplexed data and obtains to obtain the header part; and

a random access searching unit operable to search only a header of a sample of the image data placed in the a leading part of the packet header part demultiplexed by the analysis demultiplexing—demultiplex unit and judges whether intra frame information indicating that the sample of the image data included in the packet is an intra coded sample or not at the time of executing random access that is the processing for changing a starting position of demultiplexing of the multiplexed data or starting demultiplexing in the a middle of the multiplexed data.